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The Honorable Sally Jewell
Secretary, U.S. Department of the Interior
1849 C Street, N.W.
Washington, DC 20240

The Honorable Jerry Brown
Governor of California
State Capitol Building
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Secretary Jewell and Governor Brown,

As you know, the heart of California's water system and the largest estuary on the West Coast, the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta, is highly vulnerable. Environmental concerns are mounting, local communities are at risk and water supplies for 25 million people, businesses and farms throughout the state are in jeopardy. We applaud you for recognizing that it is time for California to abandon the status quo and advance the Bay Delta Conservation Plan (BDCP). The BDCP will restore and protect the Delta environment and ensure that California has a reliable water supply for years to come, which is why the Cucamonga Valley Water District supports this critical effort.

The construction of a new water conveyance facility, specifically the dual tunnels proposal, is an essential element of the BDCP. The U.S. Geological Survey has warned there is a 63 percent probability that a 6.7 magnitude or larger earthquake will hit the Bay Area in the next 30 years. An earthquake of that size could trigger levee breaks throughout the Delta, allowing saltwater from the San Francisco Bay to rush in and contaminate the freshwater moving through the Delta, crippling one of the state's primary water supplies for up to 1 ½ years.

The impacts could be felt by people and industries throughout California. Until a reliable conveyance system is built to separate a portion of water from the fragile Delta levees, many residents, businesses, entire industries, cities, and counties throughout our state will be at risk of losing a key source of water.

Cucamonga Valley Water District's support for the BDCP comes after thoughtful consideration of what is at stake, and what options are before us. We recognize that a project of such magnitude will require some difficult decisions and compromise between stakeholders with varying priorities. However, California cannot sit by and wait for a disaster to happen for progress to take place.

On behalf of the Cucamonga Valley Water District and our customers, we appreciate you taking the necessary steps to move the BDCP process forward. Thank you for your continued leadership on this important issue.

Oscar Gonzalez
President

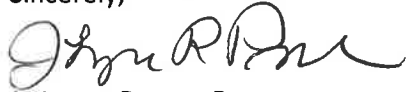
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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jo Lynne Russo - Pereyra". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Jo" being particularly prominent.

Jo Lynne Russo - Pereyra

Assistant General Manager

CC: Secretary John Laird, California Natural Resources Agency
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The Honorable Assemblyman Chris Holden
The Honorable Assemblyman Mike Morrell
The Honorable Senator Carol Liu
The Honorable Senator Bill Emmerson
The Honorable Congressman Gary Miller
The Honorable Congressman Paul Cook
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